

Thursday, July 13, 1995

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S9827-S9943

Measures Introduced: Six bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1028-1033, and S. Res. 150.

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
S. 1033, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish uniform national discharge standards for the control of water pollution from vessels of the Armed Forces. (S. Rept. No. 104-113)

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Measures Passed:

Authorizing Senate Testimony: Senate agreed to S. Res. 150, to authorize testimony by Senate employees and representation by Senate Legal Counsel.

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Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 82, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 523.

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Comprehensive Regulatory Reform Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 343, to reform the regulatory process, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) Roth/Biden Modified Amendment No. 1507 (to Amendment No. 1487), to strengthen the agency prioritization and comparative risk analysis section of the bill by requiring agencies to review existing regulations, to be sensitive to the cumulative regulatory burden, and to select the most cost-effective, market-driven method practical.

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(2) Johnston Amendment No. 1516 (to Amendment No. 1487), to extend time for cost-benefit and risk assessment for waivers in emergency situations from 180 days to 1 year.

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(3) Johnston (for Baucus) Amendment No. 1517 (to Amendment No. 1487), to delete the provisions extending cost-benefit and risk-assessment requirements to environmental management activities.

Pages S9840-41, S9844-58, S9874-78

(4) By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 304), Hatch Amendment No. 1531 (to Amendment

No. 1487), to express the sense of the Senate that nothing in the bill is intended to delay the timely promulgation of any regulations that would meet a human health or safety threat.

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(5) By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. 305), Boxer Amendment No. 1532 (to Amendment No. 1487), to protect public health by ensuring the continued implementation of mammography quality rules.

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(6) Feingold Amendment No. 1536 (to Amendment No. 1487), to amend the provisions of titles 5 and 28, United States Code, relating to equal access to justice, award of reasonable costs and fees, hourly rates for attorney fees, and administrative settlement offers.

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(7) Pryor/Feingold Amendment No. 1537 (to Amendment No. 1487), to prevent conflicts of interest of persons entering into contracts relating to cost-benefit analyses and risk assessments.

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(8) Feingold/Pryor Amendment No. 1538 (to Amendment No. 1487), to provide that an agency may include any person with substantial and relevant expertise to participate on a peer review panel.

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(9) Glenn/Levin Amendment No. 1540 (to Amendment No. 1487), to ensure public accountability in the regulatory process by establishing "sunshine" procedures for regulatory review.

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Rejected:

Lautenberg Amendment No. 1535 (to Amendment No. 1487), to strike the provisions relating to the toxic release inventory review. (By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 306), Senate tabled the amendment.)

Pages S9886-91, S9893-94, S9897-99

Withdrawn:

(1) Boxer Amendment No. 1524 (to Amendment No. 1487), to protect public health by ensuring the continued implementation of mammography quality rules.

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(2) Dole Amendment No. 1525 (to Amendment No. 1524), to express the sense of the Senate that nothing in the bill is intended to delay the timely promulgation of any regulations that would meet a human health or safety threat.

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Pending:

(1) Dole Amendment No. 1487, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S9834**

(2) Domenici Amendment No. 1533 (to Amendment No. 1487), to facilitate small business involvement in the regulatory development process. **Pages S9878–79, S9882–86**

(3) Hutchison Amendment No. 1539 (to Amendment No. 1487), to protect against the unfair imposition of civil or criminal penalties for the alleged violation of rules. **Pages S9899–S9900**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Amendment No. 1487, listed above, scheduled to occur on Friday, July 14, occur on Monday, July 17, 1995, at a time to be determined. **Page S9840**

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Friday, July 14, 1995.

Measure Indefinitely Postponed:

Concurrent Budget Resolution: Senate indefinitely postponed S. Con. Res. 13, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002. **Page S9943**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the recommendations of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission; referred to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–65). **Page S9904**

Messages From the President: **Page S9904**

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Measures Referred: **Page S9904**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S9933–42**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—306) **Pages S9873, S9874, S9899**

Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 9:53 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, July 14, 1995. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S9943).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BOSNIA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain issues relating to the recent F–16 shoot-down in Bosnia from Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; and Maj. Gen. Patrick M. Hughes, USA, Director for Intelligence (J–2), and Rear Adm. Charles W. Moore, Jr., USN, Deputy Director for Current Operations (J–33), both of the Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Committee recessed subject to call.

UNITED STATES ONE DOLLAR COIN ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 874, to provide for the minting and circulation of one dollar coins, after receiving testimony from Edward W. Kelley, Jr., Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Philip N. Diehl, Director, United States Mint, Department of the Treasury; L. Nye Stevens, Director, Federal Management and Workforce Issues, General Government Division, General Accounting Office; James L. Blum, Deputy Director, Congressional Budget Office; Robert J. Leuver, Numismatic Association, Colorado Springs, Colorado, former Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, on behalf of the Coin Coalition; David J. Ryder, Ryder Company, former Director, United States Mint, on behalf of Save the Greenback, and Linda F. Golodner, National Consumers League, both of Washington, D.C.; William Buetow, Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the American Public Transit Association; Tommy E. Looper, Anchor Bank, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; and R. David Clayton, Automatic Food Service, Inc., Nashville, Tennessee, on behalf of the National Automatic Merchandising Association.

UTAH WILDERNESS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 884, to designate certain public lands in the State of Utah as wilderness, after receiving testimony from Senators Hatch and Bennett; Representatives Hansen, Orton, and Waldholtz; Sylvia Baca, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Mayor Philip Bimstein, Springdale, Utah; San Juan County